## About the Metropolitan Council













### Who we are

- Regional government agency
- Seven-county TwinCities area
- Created by Legislature in 1967





### Who we are

Council board –
 chair and 16 members
 representing districts

Governor appoints,
 Senate confirms





### Why we're here

### 1950s & '60s

Rapid, unplanned growth



Water pollution







### What we do

 Plan and coordinate the orderly development of the metro area

Balance regional and local interests





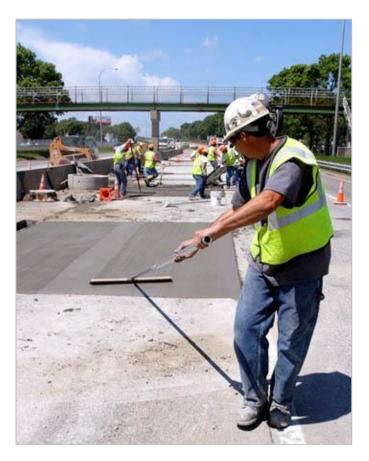


### Plan regional systems

Transportation

Regional parks

Regional sewers









### Coordinate plans

Plans for regional systems



Local comprehensive land use plans



Zoning, capital programs





### Provide regional services

- Services that can't be efficiently delivered by cities or counties individually
  - Transit
  - Regional wastewater services
  - Metro HRA

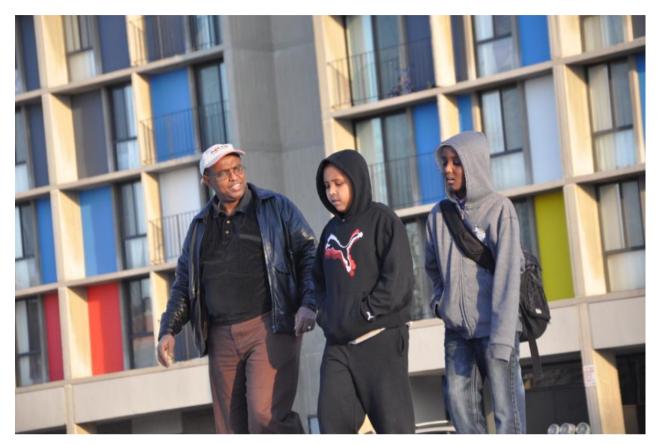






### Metro Council priorities

- A 21<sup>st</sup> century
   transportation system,
   with reliable funding
- 2. Harness investments to drive economy
- 3. Housing that meet diverse, changing needs





### Thrive MSP 2040

- Plan to guide future growth and change
- To replace current Regional Development Framework





### Thrive MSP 2040

Vision, Policies, Plan



- Future patterns of growth and redevelopment
- Regional services and facilities
- Expanded housing opportunities





## Thrive MSP | HOUSING | POLICY PLAN



### Housing Policy Plan Overview

- Thrive MSP 2040: Housing Policy Plan
- Project Timeline
- Housing Policy Plan Work Group and Charge



## Housing Policy Plan: Timeline

Spring 2013

Preparation

Summer 2013

Kickoff and Information Sharing

Fall 2013

Review and Discuss

Winter 2014

Process,
Discuss,
Evaluate, and
Write

Summer 2014

Drafting and Delivery

October 2014

Housing Policy Plan Adoption





## Housing Policy Plan Work Group Charge

- Advise the Council on a Housing Policy Plan that identifies key housing issues, policies, and implementation options; aligns with *Thrive MSP 2040*; and, integrates with the other Council system and policy plans.
- Build a constituency to promote and implement regional housing goals and policies.
- Attend monthly work group meetings and sub-work group meetings as necessary



## Housing Policy Plan Work Group

- 26 members
- Diverse group of local government officials, housing advocates, developers, communities of color, and other regional stakeholders
- Co-chairs:
  - Council member Steven Chávez
  - Beverley Oliver Hawkins, Ph.D and CEO of Model Cities



# Choice, Place and Opportunity: An Equity Assessment of the Twin Cities Region



### Choice, Place and Opportunity report

 Formerly referred to as the Fair Housing and Equity Assessment (FHEA)

 Initiated by the Council as a requirement of HUD's \$5M Sustainable Communities Regional Planning Grant

180+ pages, divided into 10 sections



### Eliminating Disparities

- If everyone in the Twin Cities in 2040 enjoyed the same socioeconomic profile as white non-Latino people do today, there would be:
  - 182,000 more people with a high school diploma
  - 137,000 more people with jobs
  - 298,000 fewer people in poverty
  - an additional \$34.5 billion in personal income
  - 216,000 more households that own homes



### Choice, Place and Opportunity report

Section I: Regional disparities

Section II: Poverty trends

Section III: Racial trends

Section IV: Place-based dynamics of racial

disparities

Section V: Racially Concentrated Areas of Poverty

(RCAPs)

Section VI: Opportunity in the region

Section VII: Public policies and investments

Section VIII: Council policy

Section IX: Responses from regional partners

Section X: Conclusion



## Racially Concentrated Areas of Poverty (RCAPS)

 Where more than 50% of the Residents are People of Color/Nonwhites

#### AND

 Where more than 40% of the residents have incomes below 185% of the federal poverty rate

Racially Concentrated Areas of Poverty (RCAP)

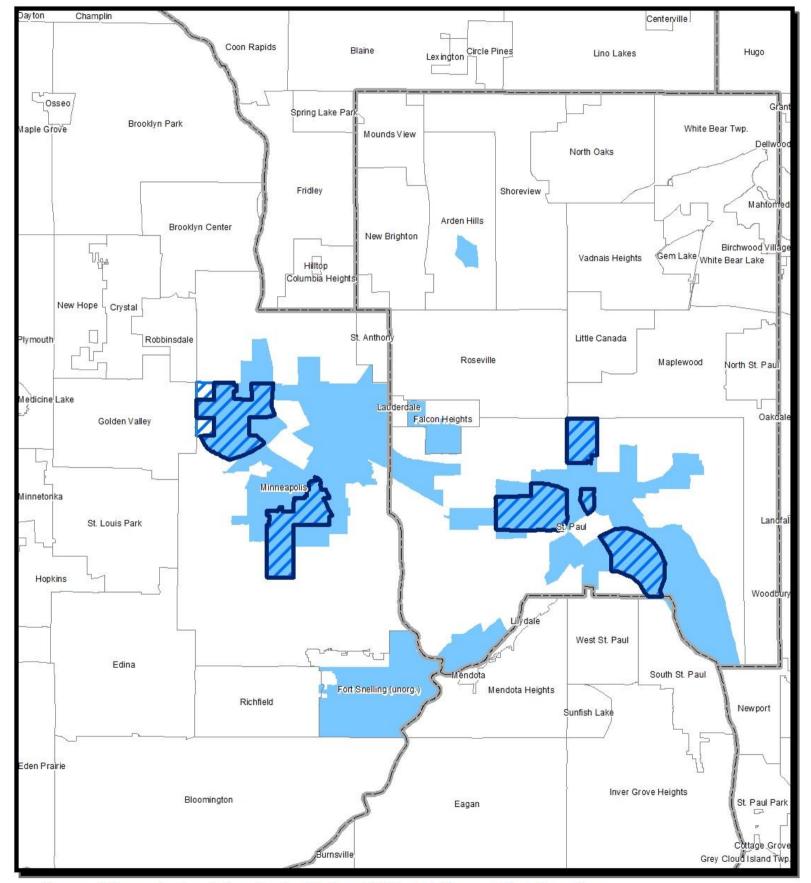


### Racially Concentrated Areas of Poverty (RCAP)

RCAP in 1990

50% People of Color

40% or More at 185% Poverty





Source: Minnesota Population Center. National Historical Geographic Information System: Version 2.0. Minneapolis, MN: University of Minnesota 2011

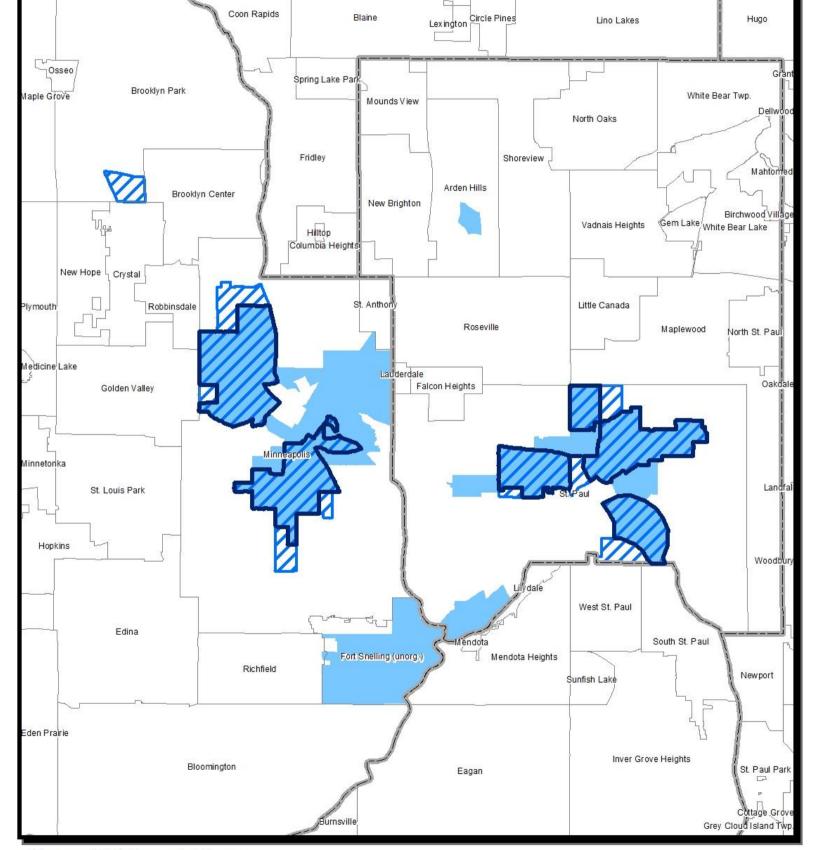
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RCAP in 2000

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Source: 2000 Decennial Census

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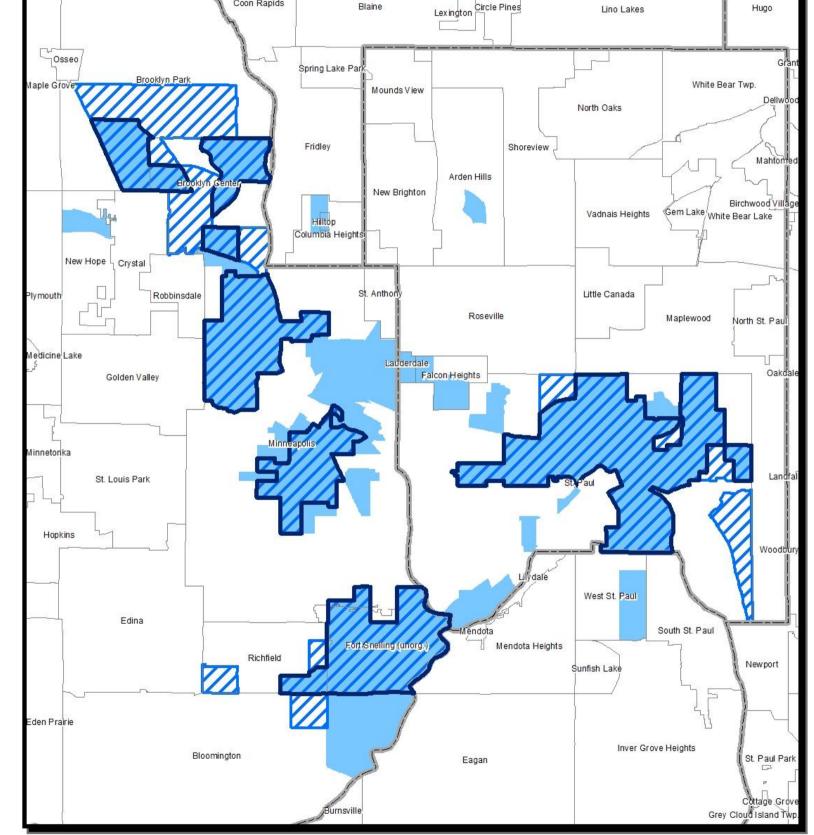
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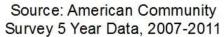
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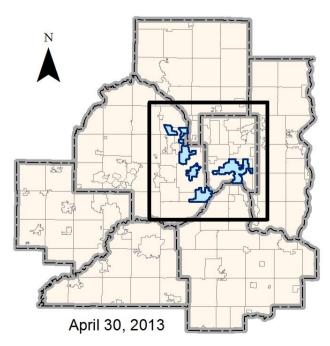
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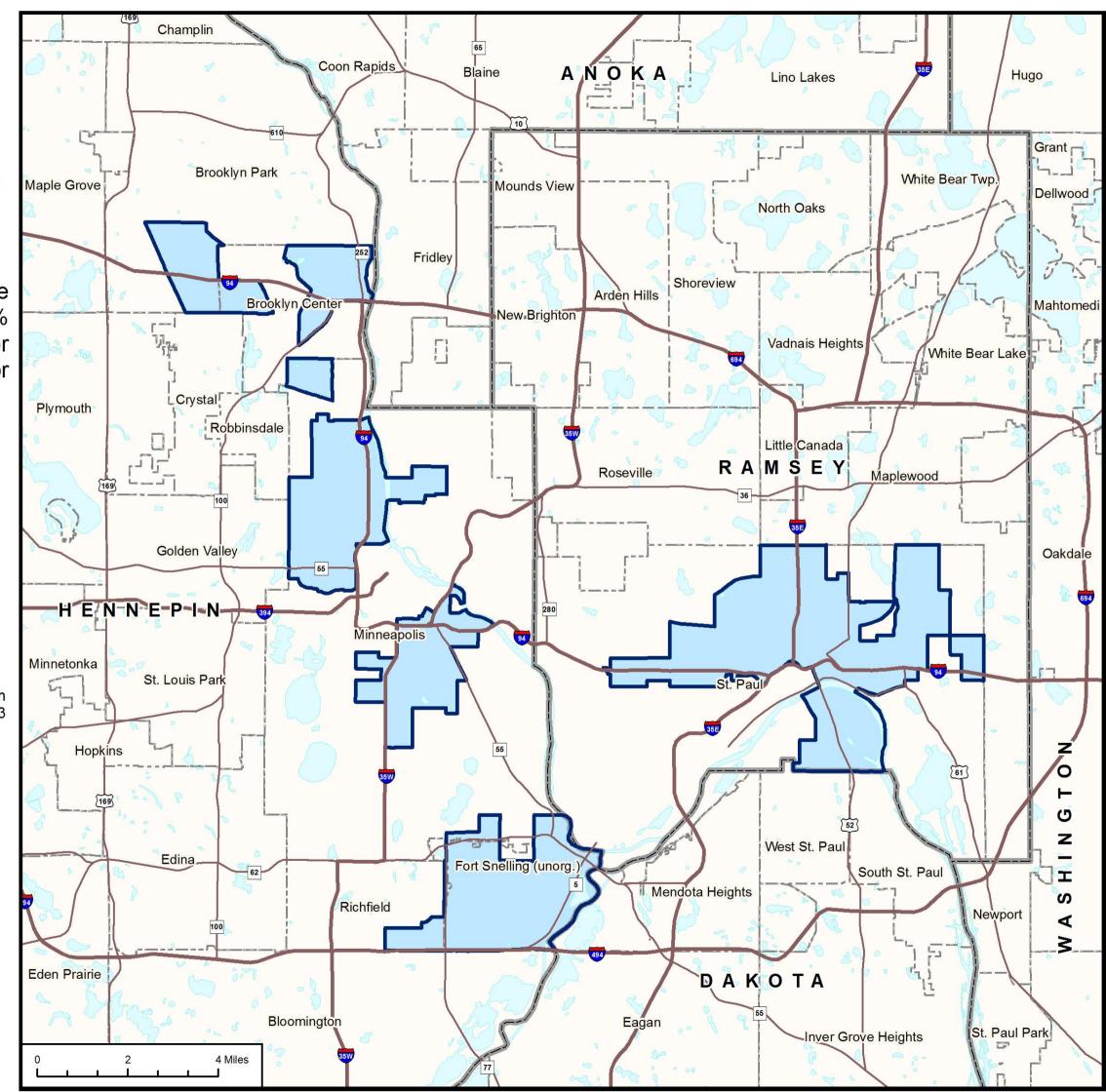
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People at 185%
Poverty and 50% or
More People of Color



Source: RCAPs as defined by Metropolitan Council on March 6, 2013





### **CPO Narrative**

### Discrimination

### Barriers to housing choice

### Access to opportunity

Limits residential choice for people of color and low income residents

Exposure to concentrated poverty is higher for people of color at all income levels

Opportunities vary by place; residents with limited housing choice do not have the same access to all opportunities.



Barriers to housing choice limit access to opportunities

RCAPs are places where disparities are reproduced and perpetuated

This results in people-based disparities



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